

about heart disease and the risk factors of heart disease among women. **Pages H1339–41**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:04 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H1341**

Budget Resolution for FY 2005—Order of Business: The House agreed that it be in order at any time for the Speaker to declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of H. Con. Res. 393, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2005 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2004 and 2006 through 2009, and that consideration of the concurrent resolution proceed according to the following order: the first read of the concurrent resolution is dispensed with; all points of order against consideration of the concurrent resolution are waived; general debate shall be confined to the congressional budget and shall not exceed six hours equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget, provided that one hour of such debate be on the subject of economic goals and policies and shall be controlled by Representatives Saxton and Stark or their designees; after general debate, the Committee on the Whole shall rise without motion; and that no further consideration of H. Con. Res. 393 shall be in order except pursuant to a subsequent order of the House. **Page H1344**

Committee Discharge and Re-referral: The House agreed that the Committee on Agriculture be discharged from the consideration of H.R. 3997 and that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Resources. **Page H1344**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H1329.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 97 was referred to the Committee on Government Reform. **Page H1368**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H1370–71.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H1341–42, H1342, H1343, and H1343–44. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related

Agencies held a meeting on Education Programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

“LEGAL AND PRACTICAL ISSUES RELATED TO THE FAITH-BASED INITIATIVE”

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing entitled “Legal and Practical Issues Related to the Faith-Based Initiative.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

IDENTITY THEFT PENALTY ENHANCEMENT ACT; IDENTITY THEFT INVESTIGATION AND PROSECUTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1731, Identity Theft Penalty Enhancement Act; and H.R. 3693, Identity Theft Investigation and Prosecution Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from Timothy Coleman, Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Larry Johnson, Special Agent in Charge, Criminal Investigative Division, U.S. Secret Service, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

CURRENT BUDGET PROCESS—CONSIDER NEW REFORM AND ENFORCEMENT PROPOSALS

Committee on Rules: Subcommittee on Legislative and Budget Process concluded hearings to assess the effectiveness of the current budget process and consider new reform and enforcement proposals—Part II. Testimony was heard from Douglas Holtz-Eakin, Director, CBO; David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; and public witnesses.

CIA COMPENSATION REFORM

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence met in executive session to hold a hearing on CIA Compensation Reform. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

POSTAL REFORM

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs concluded a joint hearing with the House Committee on Government Reform to examine U.S. Postal Service reform issues, focusing on revenue and cost allocation, after receiving testimony from John W. Snow, Secretary, and Brian C. Roseboro, Acting Under Secretary for Domestic Finance, both of the Department of the Treasury; David Fineman, Chairman, U.S. Postal Service Board of Governors; and

John E. Potter, Postmaster General, U.S. Postal Service.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2004

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine the Bureau of Reclamation's Animas-La Plata Project, 10 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for the Department of the Air Force, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine the proposed Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2005, focusing on strategic forces and capabilities, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Airland, to hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2005 and future years defense program, focusing on Navy and Air Force aviation programs, 2 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine the real estate appraisal industry, focusing on related issues involving financial markets and community investments, risk management, and consumer protection, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine port security, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 11:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 433, to provide for enhanced collaborative forest stewardship management within the Clearwater and Nez Perce National Forests in Idaho, S. 2180, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to exchange certain lands in the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, and H.R. 1964, to assist the States of Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania in conserving priority lands and natural resources in the Highlands region, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the environmental impacts on the United States natural gas supply, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine problems facing the credit counseling industry, focusing on cases of misconduct among credit card counseling agencies and their for-profit service providers and what solutions may be available to repair the industry, 9 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine S. 1529, to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act to include provisions relating to the payment and administration of gaming fees, 11 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Paul S. Diamond, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 9 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies, on Food and Nutrition Service, 9:30 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary and Related Agencies, on Legal Activities; DEA; Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, 10 a.m., and on U.S. Marshals Service and Federal Prison System, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Nuclear Waste Disposal and Environmental Management, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Emergency Preparedness and Response, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Health Resources and Services Administration, 10:15 a.m., on Administration for Children and Families, 11:20 a.m., and on Secretary of Education, 1 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and Independent Agencies, on OMB, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on Chemical Safety Hazard Investigation Board, 10 a.m., and on Corporation for National and Community Service, 11 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on the Fiscal Year 2005 National Defense Authorization budget request from the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on the Pre-positioned Equipment Programs of the United States Army and United States Marine Corps, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Total Force, hearing on the Fiscal Year 2005 National Defense Authorization budget request—Military Personnel Policy, Benefits and Compensation Overview, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, hearing on "The State of U.S. Industry," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing on H.R. 3755, Zero Downpayment Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization, oversight hearing entitled "Oversight of the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program and the Federal Long-Term Care Insurance Program," 2 p.m., 2203 Rayburn

Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs and the Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, joint hearing entitled "The Homeland Security Department's Plan to Consolidate and Co-locate Regional and Field Offices: Improving Communication and Coordination," 1 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness, hearing entitled "10 Years after the Implementation of